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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	) Atty. Docket No.: <b>TM&amp;K000</b> 4
Shinji TAKEDA et al.	)
Serial No. 09/543,247	) Group Art Unit: 2814
Filed: April 5, 2000	) ) Examiner: David E. Graybill
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR FABRICATION	) ) ) Date: December 2, 2002
THEREOF	) Date. December 2, 2002

## RESPONSE (C) AFTER FINAL

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**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the official Final Office Action dated June 6, 2002 regarding the above captioned application, Applicants make the following remarks.

## **REMARKS**

As an initial matter, Applicants have submitted herewith a certified English translation of Japanese priority document 7-171154, filed July 6, 1995 in Japan. The USPTO has already received a certified copy of the original document (see Office Action Summary, Office Action dated September 10, 2001), and Applicants have properly claimed priority to Japanese document 7-171154, thereby perfecting a priority date of July 6, 1995 for the present application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.55.